

NEW JERSEY SITE REMEDIATION PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARD

FINAL

July 13, 2015 Meeting Minutes

4:00 p.m., Public Hearing Room, DEP, Trenton

Board Members:

Present

Jorge Berkowitz
Philip Brilliant
Lawra Dodge (via teleconference)
Joseph Fallon (absent)
Joann Held (via teleconference)
Jeffrey Hoffman
Christopher Motta
Mark Pedersen
Michael Pisauro
Kathi Stetser
Peter Strom
Constantine Tsentas
Ira Whitman

Others Present:

Board Staff Dana Haymes
DAG Kimberly Hahn

Proceedings:

- **Meeting called to Order at 4:02 by Chairman Pedersen**
- **Statement by Chairman Pedersen that adequate notice of the meeting was provided pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act**
- **Roll Call**
- **Approval of the Minutes**

Minutes of June 1, 2015

Joann Held noted two revisions that needed to be made, as follows:

Under “Minutes of May 4, 2015” change “Joann Held noted a revision that needs to be made” to “Joann Held noted an editorial revision that needed to be made”.

Under “Public Comments” change “The LSRPA expects changes to the proposed new rules based on the submitted comments” to “The LSRPA submitted multiple comments on the proposed new rules and expects that serious consideration will be given to the comments by the Board”.

Motion to approve the minutes as revised by Philip Brilliant. Motion seconded by Connie Tsentas.

Roll Call Vote:

Jorge Berkowitz	- Yes
Philip Brilliant	- Yes
Lawra Dodge	- Yes
Joseph Fallon	- Absent
Joann Held	- Yes
Jeffrey Hoffman	- Abstain
Christopher Motta	- Abstain
Mark Pedersen	- Yes
Michael Pisauro	- Yes
Kathi Stetser	- Abstain
Peter Strom	- Abstain
Constantine Tsentas	- Yes
Ira Whitman	- Yes

The motion was carried.

- **Chairman’s Report:**

On behalf of the Board, Chairman Pedersen introduced the four new Board members Joseph Fallon, Jeffrey Hoffman, Kathi Stetser and Peter Strom, welcomed them to the Board and thanked them for their participation on the Board. Chairman Pedersen also welcomed new staff member Victoria Vanable. Chairman Pedersen also discussed the reorganization of the Department announced on July 6.

Michael Pisauro entered the meeting at 4:15 PM.

- **Report of the Secretary:**

Dana Haymes also welcomed new staff member Victoria Vanable.

- **Report of the Audit Committee: Philip Brilliant**

Philip Brilliant gave a brief overview of the work of the Audit Committee. He provided a table of all audits completed, or pending, to date, with the names of all pending auditees redacted. He noted that there is one opening on the Committee, due to the retirement of Dick Dewling from the Board. Beginning in August 2015, all Board members are eligible to be assigned to Audit Review Teams.

The names of 5 additional LSRPs have been selected for audit in July 2015.

- **Report of the Continuing Education Committee: Lawra Dodge**

Lawra Dodge gave a brief overview of the work of the Continuing Education Committee. She noted that there are two openings on the Committee, due to the retirements of Dick Dewling and Karl Muessig.

Motion by Lawra Dodge to approve 10 applications for approval of Continuing Education Credit, as follows:

In Situ Remediation Using Activated Carbon Based Injectates – 3 Technical CECs

RE3 Conference – up to 15 Technical CECs

The Science of Protecting Our Environment – 2015 EBC Spring Conference – 5 Technical CECs

NJDEP Off-site Source Investigation Technical Guidance Training – 2 Regulatory CECs

Remediation, Mitigation, Redevelopment and Land Use – 1.5 Technical and 2 Regulatory CECs

2015 NGWA Conference – up to 11 Technical CECs

Environmental Forensics – 14 Technical CECs

Regulatory Roundtable – 2 Regulatory CECs

Langan LSRP Summit VI – 2 Technical and 1 Regulatory CECs

In Situ Thermal Remediation – 3 Technical CECs

Motion seconded by Ira Whitman.

Roll Call Vote:

Jorge Berkowitz – Abstain from “Remediation, Mitigation, Redevelopment and Land Use”, “Langan LSRP Summit VI” and “The Science of Protecting Our Environment”, Yes for remainder

Philip Brilliant – Abstain from “Remediation, Mitigation, Redevelopment and Land Use”, Yes for remainder

Lawra Dodge – Yes for all

Joseph Fallon - Absent

Joann Held – Yes for all

Jeffrey Hoffman – Yes for all

Christopher Motta – Yes for all

Mark Pedersen – Yes for all

Michael Pisauro – Yes for all

Kathi Stetser – Abstain from “Regulatory Roundtable”, Yes for remainder

Peter Strom – Abstain from “Environmental Forensics”, Yes for remainder

Connie Tsentas – Yes for all

Ira Whitman – Yes for all

Motion by Lawra Dodge to approve application of

LSRP Chris Jaggie for personal credit for attending “Understanding the MA Contingency Plan” for 15 Technical CECs

Motion seconded by Ira Whitman.

All present voted yes, except Michael Pisauro abstained.

Lawra Dodge departed meeting at 5:00 PM.

- **Report of the Finance Committee: Constantine Tsentas**

Ira Whitman reported that the primary task of the committee is to establish a budget. Brief discussion ensued regarding appointing another Board Member as Chairman, as Constantine Tsentas is presently “acting” Chairman.

- **Report of the Licensure Committee: Ira Whitman**

Ira Whitman gave a brief overview of the work of the Licensure Committee. Review of applications, and renewal applications, is done by DEP staff, with Board oversight. Caviart is the contractor that has developed the LSRP examination. The examination is given annually, typically in March. The present population of LSRPs is 610. The committee is working on developing a Request for Proposals for an exam contractor under the oversight of the Treasury Department, as required due to the pending expiration of the contract with Caviart. The committee, with the Department, is working on developing a Request for Proposals for a new IT contract to develop a web based system to do renewals and other data tracking for LSRPs on line. Two separate contracts are contemplated for the design of the system and the implementation of the system.

- **Report of the Outreach Committee: Christopher Motta**

Christopher Motta gave a brief overview of the work of the Outreach Committee. Christopher Motta requested that each Board member review the Board website and provide resumes, or updated resumes, for posting on the website.

The Committee has developed a filter function for the Continuing Education Tables and hopes to have this function up and running soon.

- **Report of the Professional Conduct Committee: Jorge Berkowitz**

Jorge Berkowitz gave a brief overview of the work of the Professional Conduct Committee. He provided a table of the number of all complaints completed, or pending, to date. There have been a total of 31 complaints, of which 4 resulted in penalties or reprimands, and 15 resulted in findings of no violation. 12 complaints remain under investigation.

- **Report of the Rules Committee: Joann Held**

Joann Held gave a brief overview of the work of the Rules Committee. Rules were proposed in January 2015 and are expected to be adopted by the end of 2015. Joann noted that the draft adoption document is on the One Drive, and requested that all Board members review it and provide comments.

DAG Kimberly Hahn advised Board members to not make comments to non-Board members about the proposed rules during the adoption phase. The comments and response to comments are public record, and there should be no comments addressed outside of this forum.

Joann Held departed the meeting at 6:00 pm.

- **Ongoing Business:**

None.

- **New Business:**

A Board member contact list has been prepared for use by Board members.

- **Public Comments:**

Rodger Ferguson, Holland Township, LSRPA. Rodger Ferguson commented that it is nice to see new Board Members appointed. He also noted that the Board should be aware that there are problems with the way records are being provided by the Department in response to OPRA requests. Files are not being provided in their entirety.

Meeting adjourned at 6:12 pm.